



WINTER SPRINGS

“ I N S I D E R ”

SUMMER
Volume 18

COMMISSION REPORT

City of Winter Springs

In January 2002, the City Commission was informed that Trotwood Park in Tusawilla was highlighted in the 2002 Facility Showcase of the Florida Recreation and Park Association Journal Publication. This trade journal highlights the best parks from around the State of Florida.

In other park-related business the City Commission approved the site plan for expansion of Torcaso Park on Moss Road. The expansion will include a combined soccer and football field and splash pool greatly expanding recreational services to kids on the West Side of the city.

On March 18, 2002 the Commission held a special workshop on the feasibility of building a dog park, and authorized creation of an advisory committee to work with city staff in developing a facility at a new park site planned for Jetta Point next to the Greenway.

The Commission approved a Master Plan for the 27-acre expansion of Central Winds Park. The plan was developed by the recently created Central Winds Park Expansion Ad Hoc Advisory Committee.

Complimenting that effort was the City Commission's approval of a Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant to fund Phase I of the improvements.

The City Commission also approved the application by the Parks and Recreation Department for a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) to modernize and upgrade the Senior Center located at Sunshine Park.

On January 18, 2002 elected officials staff, business representatives, and residents attended the official Ground Breaking Ceremony of the City's new and long-awaited Town Center. The first building to be constructed in the Town Center will be a Publix Supermarket (see City Manager article for more information).

The City entered into an agreement with Cox Entertainment to produce the 2002 July 4th Celebration.

Difficulties with the new Utility Billing System Software were discussed at a City Commission Meeting. Residents were advised that the Finance Department is

calculating credits to be applied to March's utility bills to correct errors that occurred on some February bills.

The City Commission agreed to have the City Attorney and Police Chief work together to Craft an Ordinance regarding open beverage containers. The Ordinance will support and compliment the already existing

Seminole County Ordinance. When completed, this Ordinance should assist the City's Police Department with enforcement options.

After weeks of negotiations the City Commission voted to deny the proposed construction of a gas station/convenience store at the corner of Hayes Road and State Road 434.

Interested parties can now log on to the City's web site to get information on the city's many advisory boards and their agendas and minutes. This is in addition to the City Commission's agendas and minutes. The City's web site can be accessed as follows: www.winterspringsfl.org.





Town Center Ground Breaking Ceremony

January 18, 2002

Town Center



*What a great day!
Phase I
of our
Town Center
is now
underway.*





TOWN CENTER “BOOM” AHEAD

It looks as though we are on the leading edge of a three to five year “Boom” in the Town Center.

After six years of planning we are now seeing Phase I of the retail center rising out of the ground. But more importantly is what’s going on in the new Avery Park Town Home Development. The big question we have had is, **is there a market for neo-traditional town homes in Winter Springs?** Why is this important? Because town homes built in the neo-traditional style like Avery Park will locate some 3,000 to 5,000 new residents within walking distance of the retail core of the Town Center where they can do their shopping and dining. This will almost guarantee the economic success of the retail core of the Town Center.

Since Avery Park is the first town home project out of the box, Avery Park’s success or failure could in large part predict the economic outcome of

the Town Center. The answer to this all-important question appears to be a resounding “Yes”. According to Morrison Homes, early sales of town homes at Avery Park have outpaced their boldest estimates.

Leasing of Phase I of the Town Center currently under construction is going well including: Publix, Washington Mutual Bank, State Farm, H&R Block, Medical and Dental offices, a business mail and shipping center, Euro Nails, Great Cuts Hair Salon, and a dry cleaners. Negotiations are moving forward with two high-end restaurants, a local Chinese restaurant, Wendy’s, an exclusive wine and package store, and an ice cream parlor.

Additionally, Tusawilla Business Park adjacent to Avery Park is under construction. Wagner’s Curve Town Home Development is in final engineering with a target date of September for the initiation of construction. Discussions with developers for two additional

town homes developments are underway. The expansion of Central Winds Park will begin this fall. Construction of Magnolia Park in the Town Center will begin in spring. A design build contract for construction of the Cross Seminole Trail Bridge over S.R. 434 in the Town Center will be awarded this summer. Construction of the leg of the trail running from its current ending point to Old Sanford/Oviedo Road at the city boundary through the Town Center will be under construction in early 2003.

I have to tell you, I am very excited. The next five years is going to be a lot of fun. We are going to see a lot of positive changes to Winter Springs’ landscape.

Will there be blips and glitches to work out? Certainly, but not withstanding some major economic calamity, it appears that a very successful direction has been established for the Town Center.



Two Paws Up On Paw Park

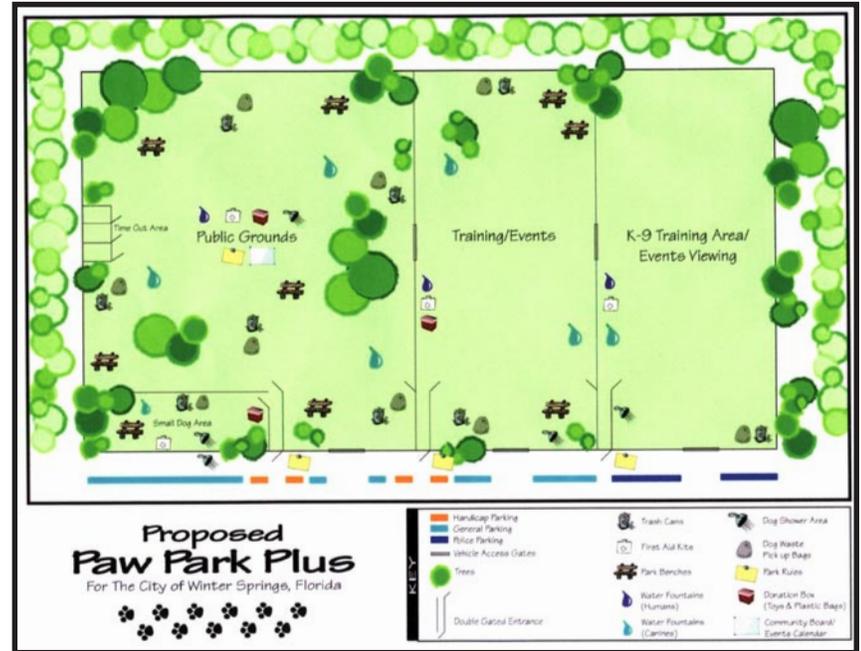
Supporters found the City Commission in support of their proposal for a dog park in Winter Springs. Supporters impressed the Commission with their research in a Workshop held on March 18, 2002.

Representative of cites like Fort Lauderdale, Sarasota, Winter Park and Sanford currently operating dog parks ensured the Commission that their experiences have been overwhelming positive with residents with few if any problems.

The current site budgeted for the park is vacant land located next to 417 (Greenway) at the Black Hammock Trail Head on State Road 434.

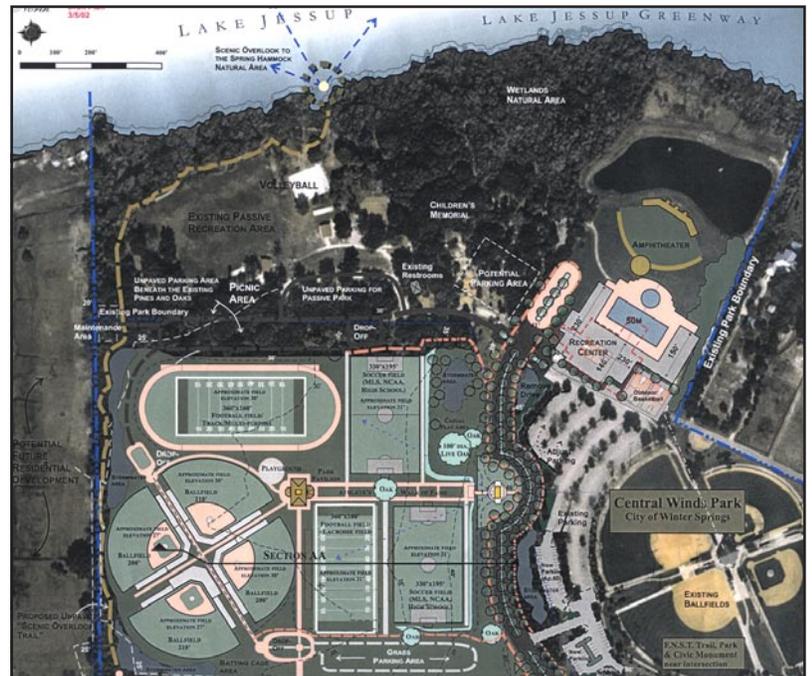
The future of the park at that location is contingent upon Seminole County purchasing the property for park uses. The city and county is cur-

rently discussing an agreement in which the county would purchase the property and allow the city to develop it for recreational uses.



Central Winds Park Expansion Plan Completed

A Special Citizen Committee presented its recommendations for a master plan of development for the expansion of Central Winds Park to the City Commission on March 11, 2002. Working with city staff and design consultant Michael Design Group and Associates, the committee's recommended Master Plan provides for 2 high school regulation soccer fields, 3 multi purpose fields for football, soccer, lacrosse, track and field, 4 little league fields, a recreational center with gymnasium, basketball, volleyball, badminton, a 50 meter Olympic pool complex, and support facilities. Phase I of the project will include the outdoor athletic fields. Construction will begin this fall. Future phases will include the recreational center and pool complex.



Go Team Go



Little League President Bill Manooch, City Manager Ron McLemore and Chris Caldwell, Athletics Supervisor welcomes the coaches, team members and parents to Opening Day Celebration. Winter Springs Little League plays all their games Monday through Saturday at Central Winds Park. Spring season began on February 18th and continues through May. There are over 600 youth playing in 15 different divisions.



City Manager Ron McLemore throws out the “First Pitch” for Winter Springs Little League Opening Day Celebration as John Wisnieski; Girls Softball Director looks on.

Opening Day Celebration





Athletic Programs



To register or for additional information please call Winter Springs Parks & Recreation at (407) 327-4761, Monday through Friday from 8am-5pm.

GOLF PROGRAMS

The City of Winter Springs Parks and Recreation's Golf programs will continue monthly on Tuesdays from 5:30-6:30pm, at Winter Springs Golf Club. Programs are for youth & adults ages 6 and older. The cost is \$40 per month for hour-long lessons weekly.

TENNIS PROGRAMS

The City of Winter Springs Parks and Recreation's Tennis programs will continue monthly on Thursdays from 5:30-6:30pm, at Tusawilla Tennis Center. Programs are for youth & adults ages 6 and older. The cost is \$40 per month for hour-long lessons weekly.



BASKETBALL CAMPS

The Winter Springs Parks and Recreation Department and Winter Springs Basketball League will host (5) 9 day Basketball Camps from 9am-1pm daily. These Summer Camps are for boys and girls grades K-8. The cost is \$95 per sessions for residents and an additional \$5 fee for non-residents. There are discounts for additional siblings.

Week 1: June 3 – 7

Week 2: June 10 – 14

Week 3: June 17 – 21

Week 4: June 24 – 28

Week 5: July 8 – 12

For more information contact the Winter Springs Basketball League at (407) 327-8952 or Winter Springs Parks & Recreation at (407) 327-4761.

Athletic Special Events

Event:	Scorpions Wrestling Clinic	Date(s):	May 2002
Location:	Winter Springs High School	Time(s):	8:00 am to 6:00 pm
Description:	Freestyle & Greco Roman Wrestling Clinic	Cost:	\$50
Contact:	Winter Spring Parks & Recreation	Phone:	(407) 327-4761 / 327-7982

Clinicians will hopefully be either members or coaches of the USA Olympic Wrestling Team. Learn the techniques of Freestyle and Greco Roman style in all age divisions. Register early. For more information contact Winter Springs Parks & Recreation at (407) 327-4761 or Wrestling Instructor, Glenn Tolleson at (407) 327-7982.

Event:	Alan Greene Summer Baseball Camp	Date(s):	June 17-21, 2002
Location:	Central Winds Park	Time(s):	9:00 am to 1:00 pm
Description:	Baseball Camp	Cost:	\$95
Contact:	Winter Springs Parks & Recreation	Phone:	(407) 327-4761

Summer Fun at Central Winds Park with former Detroit Tigers ballplayer, Alan Greene. This is fabulous baseball camp for kids 7-15. For more information contact WSPR at (407) 327-4761.



CLEARWATER/TARPON SPRINGS

April 20, 2002



We'll begin our day with a Dolphin Encounter Cruise aboard the double deck 125-passenger Clearwater Express. See these beautiful marine mammals in their natural surroundings. This unique sightseeing cruise takes you out into the Gulf of Mexico to give you a first hand view of the beautiful beaches and shore line along Clearwater and Caladesi Island. Then, we'll head to Tarpon Springs - the "Sponge Capital of the World". Enjoy a fabulous Greek lunch at Pappas Restaurant, then browse the many shops and attractions in this quaint Greek fishing village.

COST: \$52.00 per person. Includes: R/T motorcoach transportation, Cruise, Lunch, Taxes, Gratuity on meal. **Bus will depart the Winter Springs Sr. Center at 7:30 a.m.**

GAMBLING CRUISE "SUN CRUZ CASINO"

May 18, 2002



Join Lady Luck aboard Sun Cruz Casino as she sails from Port Canaveral for 5 hours of sun and fun - "Vegas style". Try your luck in the casinos or enjoy the many other shipboard activities such as live music and dancing. Win or lose, you're sure to have fun!

COST: \$19.00 per person. Includes: R/T motorcoach transportation, Cruise, Brunch at Morgan's, Buffet lunch onboard ship, Taxes, Coupon book. **Bus will depart the Winter Springs Senior Center at 8:30 a.m.**

SARASOTA

June 15, 2002



We'll board our motorcoach and head for Florida's West Coast where beautiful Sarasota awaits us. Bring along a hearty appetite, as lunch will be Amish cooking at its best. Following lunch, we'll explore the world of John Ringling, the man and the myth. We'll start with a tour of Ca'd'Zan, the Venetian gothic mansion of peach terra cotta that served as the winter residence of John and Mable Ringling. Renovations are now complete so don't miss the chance to see this beautifully restored masterpiece. Walk among his priceless works of art and learn more about the man himself as you tour his fabulous art museum. Last, but not least, you will have the opportunity to tour the Circus Museum with its remnants of the "Greatest Show on Earth".

COST: \$48.00 per person. Includes: R/T motorcoach transportation, Lunch, Admissions, Taxes, Gratuity on meal. **Bus will depart the Winter Springs Sr. Center at 7:30 a.m.**

MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS NOW!!
CONTACT: Susie Coffman PHONE: 407-327-6697



CODE ENFORCEMENT DIVISION

Winter Springs Animal Noise Control Ordinance Upheld

On February 22, 2002 Seminole County Court Judge Carmine M. Bravo upheld the constitutionality of Section 4-1 of the Winter Springs Animal Noise Control Ordinance and subsequently found a Tuscowilla resident guilty of violating the ordinance. The case was brought against the resident by a neighbor claiming that the resident allowed her dogs to bark continuously thereby denying the complainant the quiet and peaceful enjoyment of her property.



The violator's attorney challenged the constitutionality of the ordinance and requested the court to acquit his client. The city attorney defended the ordinance and prosecuted the case.

Judge Bravo found the dog barking "clearly violated" the Winter Springs ordinance. He also quoted a previous City of Sarasota case, which held:

"...ownership of a dog which barks is lawful, but this activity is subject to regulations by general police powers. All property including animals, are held subject to the right of the state to regulate it on the condition that its use shall not be injurious to the rights of others. This type of regulation has a longstanding history of constitutionality."

It is not known at this time if the case will be appealed.

The city's animal noise control ordinance is an important tool in maintaining the quality of life the residents of Winter Springs desire in our neighborhoods.

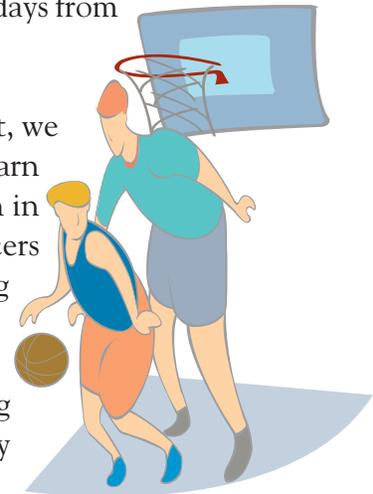
POLICE DEPARTMENT

Community Youth Organization Basketball Program

The Community Youth Organization of Winter Springs is once again sponsoring a youth basketball program for the upcoming summer. The program will be held at Torcaso Park on North Moss Road for children 6 years old to young adults 18 years old. The program will begin on June 3, 2002 and run through July 26, 2002. The hours of the program will be weekdays from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

The C.Y.O. Basketball Program has several goals for this summer. First, we would like to give parents a safe environment for their children to learn and play the game of basketball. Second, we want to give the children in our community a chance to meet and interact with the police officers from the Winter Springs Police Department. Finally, we will be teaching sportsmanship, teamwork and the fundamentals of basketball.

This will be the fourth year with this program. The staff is looking forward to another great year and knows your children will enjoy themselves and learn the game of basketball at the same time.



If you would like more information on this program please contact
Cpl. Allison Smith, Capt. Glenn Tolleson, or Capt. Jim Wilkins at 407-327-1000.

!!!REMINDER!!! IRRIGATION RESTRICTIONS

Irrigation restrictions remain in place, including reclaimed water customers.

The restrictions are:

Even numbered homes irrigate Thursdays and Sundays

Odd numbered homes irrigate Wednesday and Saturday

These restrictions will be strictly enforced.

Because of your cooperation the potable water usage in 2001 was 250 million gallons less than 2000.

THANK YOU TO ALL!



Oak Forest Wall & Beautification District Advisory Committee

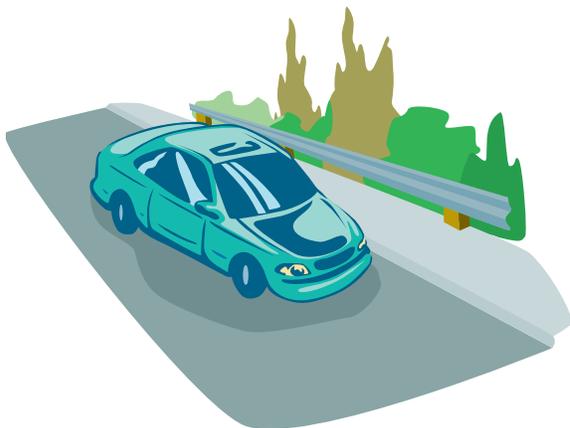
The wall construction is complete. The contractor has some minor punch list items to complete before turning over the wall.

Tuscawilla Lighting & Beautification District

The contract is 70% complete with final completion date of June 1, 2002.

Fisher Road Paving & Drainage

Design is 80% complete. A public meeting reviewing the project with interested residents will be scheduled in April. Construction is projected to begin in July, 2002.



Road Resurfacing

The streets scheduled for resurfacing this fiscal year include: Northern Way (Tuscora to Winter Springs Boulevard), Hayes Road (Silvercreek to Sailfish), Dundee Drive, Buckie Drive, Blades Court, Gatehouse Drive, Fortrose Drive, Marni Drive, Mark Run, Erica Way, Forest Circle, and 3rd Street (Bombay to Sheoah).

Traffic Signal Update

Winding Hollow/Parkstone

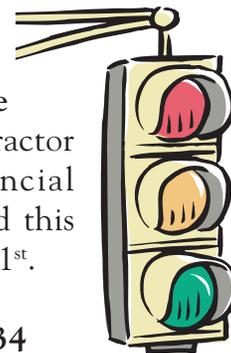
The Pizzuti Co. and contractor should have their financial differences worked out and this project completed by April 1st.

Vistawilla Drive & S.R. 434

Construction has begun with a projected completion date of July 1st.

Edgemon Avenue & S.R. 419

The temporary signal is in place and operational. The permanent signal should be in place by June 1st.





JULY 4th 2002



"CELEBRATION OF FREEDOM"

at Central Winds Park

Sponsored by The City of Winter Springs,
Cox Radio and Rotary Club of Winter Springs

FAMILY, FUN, FOOD AND FIREWORKS

- 10 am–4 pm **FAMILY SPORTS EVENTS** – for all ages on the sports fields at Central Winds.
- 3-8 pm **ROTARY KIDS FAIR** – climbing wall, dunk tank, moon walk, other popular games
- 3-6 pm **COMMUNITY STAGE** – “Great American Variety Show” a dazzling variety of local talent
- 6-8:30 pm **MAIN STAGE – Modern History of Music** – music for you, your children your parents, swing, rock-a-billy, country and pop.
- 8:30 – 9 pm **MAIN STAGE – Patriotic Salute to the Nation** – performed by the nationally acclaimed Winter Springs High School Junior ROTC.
- 9-9:30 pm **“CELEBRATION OF FREEDOM FIREWORKS EXTRAVAGANZA”**

RIDE THE BUS AND LEAVE THE DRIVING TO US.

Expanded Shuttle Bus Service 5-10:30 P.M.

Buses will pick you up and return you to all school parking lots,
Kash & Karry, Babcock Plaza and Trotwood Park.

*For information regarding becoming a sponsor or an event vendor,
please contact Rocco Perciavalle with Cox Radio: (407) 422-9696.*

*If you have a band or would like to perform on our community stage, please contact
Christopher Carson with the Parks and Recreation Department at (407) 327-4761.*

FOR YOUR SAFETY

**NO PETS, PERSONAL FIREWORKS, OR FOOD PREPARATION DEVICES
WILL BE ALLOWED INSIDE THE PARK**



Calendar of Meetings



MAY 2002

City Commission Regular Meetings:

- Monday, May 13, 2002 - 6:30 P.M.

Beautification of Winter Springs Board (B.O.W.S.) Regular Meeting:

- Wednesday, May 8, 2002 - 7:00 P.M.

Board of Adjustment Regular Meeting: (If Scheduled)

- Thursday, May 2, 2002 - 7:00 P.M.

Code Enforcement Board Regular Meeting:

- Tuesday, May 21, 2002 - 7:00 P.M.

Oak Forest Wall & Beautification District Advisory Committee Regular Meeting:

- Thursday, May 9, 2002 - 7:00 P.M.

Planning & Zoning Board/Local Planning Agency Regular Meeting:

- Wednesday, May 1, 2002 - 7:00 P.M.

Tusawilla Lighting & Beautification District Advisory Committee Regular Meetings:

- Tuesday, May 21, 2002 - 7:00 P.M.

HOLIDAY

- Monday, May 27, 2002 - Memorial Day

JUNE 2002

City Commission Regular Meetings:

- Monday, June 10, 2002 - 6:30 P.M.
- Monday, June 24, 2002 - 6:30 P.M.

Beautification of Winter Springs Board (B.O.W.S.) Regular Meeting:

- Wednesday, June 12, 2002 - 7:00 P.M.

Board of Adjustment Regular Meeting: (If Scheduled)

- Thursday, June 6, 2002 - 7:00 P.M.

Code Enforcement Board Regular Meeting:

- Tuesday, June 18, 2002 - 7:00 P.M.

Oak Forest Wall & Beautification District Advisory Committee Regular Meeting:

- Thursday, June 13, 2002 - 7:00 P.M.

Planning & Zoning Board/Local Planning Agency Regular Meeting:

- Wednesday, June 5, 2002 - 7:00 P.M.

Tusawilla Lighting & Beautification District Advisory Committee Regular Meetings:

- Tuesday, June 18, 2002 - 7:00 P.M.

JULY 2002

City Commission Regular Meetings:

- Monday, July 8, 2002 - 6:30 P.M.
- Monday, July 22, 2002 - 6:30 P.M.

Beautification of Winter Springs Board (B.O.W.S.) Regular Meeting:

- Wednesday, July 10, 2002 - 7:00 P.M.

Board of Trustees - Employee Pension Plan Regular Meeting:

- Tuesday, July 30, 2002 - 7:30 P.M.

Code Enforcement Board Regular Meeting:

- Tuesday, July 16, 2002 - 7:00 P.M.

Oak Forest Wall & Beautification District Advisory Committee Regular Meeting:

- Thursday, July 11, 2002 - 7:00 P.M.

Planning & Zoning Board/Local Planning Agency Regular Meeting:

- Wednesday, July 3, 2002 - 7:00 P.M.

Tusawilla Lighting & Beautification District Advisory Committee Regular Meeting:

- Tuesday, July 16, 2002 - 7:00 P.M.

HOLIDAY

- Thursday, July 4, 2000 - Independence Day

Calendar of Meetings





THE CITY OF WINTER SPRINGS

1126 State Road 434
Winter Springs, Florida 32708



City of Winter Springs

CITY TELEPHONE NUMBERS

City Hall	407-327-1800
Building Department	407-327-5963
	407-327-5964
Building Dept. Inspection Line	407-327-7596
City Clerk	407-327-5955
Deputy City Clerk	407-327-5965
City Information Line	407-327-7594
City Manager	407-327-5957
Code Enforcement	407-327-5981
Computer Services	407-327-5975
Fire Department (non-emergency)	407-327-2332
Job Hotline	407-327-7595
Mayor/Commission	407-327-5965
	407-327-5955
Parks/Recreation Department	407-327-4761
Planning/Zoning	407-327-5966
Police Department (non-emergency)	407-327-1000
Public Works	407-327-2669
Purchasing Department	407-327-5959
Senior Citizen Center	407-327-6697
Utility Department	407-327-2669
Utility Billing (water, sewer, garbage)	407-327-5996

OTHER IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Florida Power Corporation	407-629-1010
Time Warner Communications	407-645-4701
Florida Recycling (garbage pick-up)	407-831-1539
Winter Springs Post Office	800-275-8777
Winter Springs High School	407-320-8750
Winter Springs Elementary School	407-320-0650
Keeth Elementary School	407-320-5350
Highlands Elementary School	407-320-6650
Indian Trails Middle School	407-320-4350

